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Date of Interview: 09 July 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 80-84 and 87-98.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Issues raised under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph in non-final Office action 27 March 2007 were discussed. With regard to peptide fragments, Applicants representatives thought it would be too limiting to recite specific fragments. The examiners asked if inventors have found other fragments that work and if so that they file a declaration or submit post-filing date art to provide evidence that other fragments work. With regard to "antibody fragments", it was suggested that changing the language slightly (for example, to "antigen binding fragment") would be more specific (provided there is support in the specification as originally filed). Finally, Applicants suggest incorporating limitation of claim 96 into the base claims to overcome issue of "biological sample". The examiners stated that provided Applicants could show evidence that the method works in serum, this would be acceptable.